

CLAIMS

1. A corner protector whose opposite faces are resilient and bowed so that, in use, a corner region of the frame to be protected must force its way into position between the opposite faces of the protector and will thereafter be frictionally
5 gripped between them until the protector is subsequently released by pulling it off against the frictional resistance.
2. A protector according to Claim 1 and characterised by the feature that substantially the whole protector comprises a plastics moulding or extrusion.
3. A protector according to Claim 1 or Claim 2 and characterised by the
10 feature that one at least of the protector's frame-gripping opposite surfaces is wholly or partially transparent.
4. A protector according to any preceding claim and characterised by the feature that one at least of the frame-gripping surfaces is so ribbed, dimpled, corrugated and/or otherwise surface-treated as to enhance its frictional gripping
15 capability in use.
5. With or for a protector according to Claim 4 a frame whose own surface, at its corner region, is grooved, indented and/or otherwise so treated that as, in use, the protector is pushed onto the corner region, the ribs, dimples etc of the protector will slide and/or snap into the grooves, indentations etc of the frame.

- 20 6. The invention of Claim 5 and characterised by the feature that the frame surface so treated is an edge surface of the frame.
7. A protector according to Claim 3 or Claim 4; or the invention of either of Claims 5 and 6; with the further addition of a sleeve fitting, in use, between the protector and the frame and carrying identifying and/or advertising indicia.
8. The invention defined in any of the preceding claims in combination with a frame in the form of a poster card sheet.
9. A protector according to any of Claims 2 to 4 and characterised by the feature that the major surfaces of the protector are tapered away from each other
5 from the apex of the protector towards the open ends of the protector.
10. A protector according to Claim 9 and characterised by the feature that the angle of taper is approximately 1° in total.
11. A protector according to any one of Claims 2 to 4, 9 and 10 and characterised by the feature that the apex of the protector is provided with an
10 outward bulge, such that, with a corner-portion of the frame to be protected fully inserted into the protector, the apex of the corner-portion does not touch the apex of the protector.
12. A protector according to any one of Claims 2 to 4 and 9 to 11 and characterised by the feature that the open ends of the minor surfaces of the
15 protector comprise short extension pieces angled along the plane of the open ends of the major surfaces of the protector, the extension pieces serving as ejection surfaces in the moulding process.
13. A protector according to any one of Claims 2 to 4 and 9 to 11 and characterised by the feature that the open ends of the major surfaces of the

20 protector have respective flanges at opposite ends of the major surfaces, thereby to allow ready insertion of the frame to be protected into the protector.

14. A protector according to Claim 13, characterised by the feature that the flanges each occupy substantially one-half of the length of their respective major-surface open ends.

15. A protector according to Claim 13 or Claim 14 and characterised by the feature that the open ends of the minor surfaces of the protector each comprise a short end-portion recessed from the open ends of said major surfaces, the end-portions serving as ejection surfaces in the moulding process.

5 16. A protector according to Claim 15 and characterised by the feature that the end-portions have a reinforcement to allow extraction of the protector from the mould without risk of significant damage to the protector.

10 17. A frame fitted with four protectors according to any of the preceding claims, wherein each protector further comprises a hole associated with at least one of its major or minor surfaces and the protectors are connected by a filament passed through the holes and forming a loop, the loop allowing the frame to be hung on a vertical surface while at the same time holding the protectors firmly against the corners of the frame.

15 18. A corner protector; or a protector-and-frame combination, or a frame substantially as described herein with reference to and as illustrated in any appropriate combination of the text and drawings.